Japanese Committee To Assist In Evacuation

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Co-operate With Taylor Commission; Seek Just, Reasonable Plan

VANCOUVER, Mar. 3.—A working committee of first and second generation will act on behalf of the Japanese community and co-operate with the new Security Commission in effecting federal policy in the control and removal of all persons of Japanese origin on the British Columbia coast.

A meeting Sunday afternoon, attended by over 100 delegates and many interested observers, approved a plan advanced by the National Japanese Canadian Citizens' League, to elect an advisory committee of representative members, and the setting up of a smaller committee, charged with the heavy responsibility of working with the Taylor Commission.

The drastic overhaul in governmental policy in dealing with the problem—calling for total removal and severe restrictions until it it effected—has demanded a like overhaul in the effort of the community to deal with the situation itself.

It is therefore widely felt that only a representative committee can assume the huge responsibility of protecting the safety and welfare of the 20,000-odd persons — Canadian-born, naturalized and alien, men women and children—who face removal. The Taylor Commission itself has recognized this fact, and has asked for the selection of such a committee to meet with it.

Three meetings of the advisory committee have already been held to draft proposals to the Taylor Commission.

One of the chief concerns is that the evacuation of nationals now under way under direct orders of the R.C.M.P. be suspended temporarily, until necessary arrangements can be made for the families left behind. All of the men leaving under orders are concerned as to what is likely to happen to their dependents, once the general evacuation gets under way.

Methods for disposal of real property, buildings, stocks of goods, household effects and chattels, etc., will be one of the biggest problems to be solved locally. Accommodation and places where removed families can be placed is expected to be an even more difficult problem. There is widespread belief that for the duration at least, removed families should be concentrated in sizeable groups large enough to form self-sufficient communities.

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Another fifty Japanese nationals left Vancouver for roadwork in the Rockies Monday night, under direct governmental orders. The group left from the C.N. station at 7.15 headed for Geikie, Alta.

The men going are no longer volunteers, but are ordered to report for such roadwork. Failure to do so will result in orders for their internment, the R.C.M.P. declare.

They are being emplyed for 25 cents per hour, and it is understood that a minimum eight-hour day will be provided under any conditions. From their wages, the men must deduct the cost of board, and if married, they are required to sign an assignment of $20 from ther monthly wages for their wives.

...e Curfew Hits An Unhappy People In Spirit And Body

...h night now, Powell Street ... a long face as the evening goes down. When the sun ... down, it takes with it light ... freedom, and makes a cri... of any person who dares ...re out of his home onto the ... And when night comes on, ...ngs to thousands of Cana... citizens, the feeling that ... citizenship is of little value ...m.

...e firs generation—born in ...—on the whole are restained ...patient. They smile at the ...w, even though they may ... feel that this measure, ... with other restrictions, ... over others of enemy alien ...tion, to restrict only those ...panese origin.

... second generation, however, ... and educated in an atmos... of democracy, inculcated ...he idea of freedom, impress...h the value of British citi...p, are not quite so ready to ...p the things in which they ..., simply because of their ... origin.

...ning their resentment, deep... their bitterness locally, are ...tuperative attacks and the ...ptuous tone adopted by the ...uver Sun in its contemptible ...gn against a people without ...e of any kind.

... of Humor

...nse of humor is recognized ... most valuable asset a man ...ave today. At one house, ... five-year-old Kazuo esta... a virtual reign of terror by ...ing up his face into the ...terrifying small-boy scowl, ...told he wasn't to go out, ... why, his mother explained ... was dangerous. To which ... replied: "It's just as dan... for Hakujin kids!" ...ettled the matter by turn...e kitchen into a miniature ...rink.

...esses, already putting along ...e cylinder, coughed and ...red to a practical stand... the curfew crystalized into ..., coffee bars pool halls, confectioneries, chop suey houses, restaurants, one alive with laughter, are dark within as their proprietors close early. Many business men are taking stock in anticipation of the forthcoming evacuation.

"There's even a premium on cleanliness. I can't even get my daily bath now," glumly proclaimed a grime-covered laborer, as he paused in front of the Japanese "ofuro."

Mothers Happy

Varsity students can just make their 6 o'clock labs, and then rush via bus and street car for home before dark. Many are troubled because they can no longer study late at the University Library, where long lists of books must be read for reference, where lengthy essays mustbe completed, where research in non-scientific subjects subjects must be conducted.

"Perhaps it won't matter anyway," gloomed one student, "as in all probability we may not be permitted to remain for the exams."

"Well now mother won't worry about my staying out late," smiled a winsome Nisei girl. "I guess mothers are the only ones to have anything to be thankful for as far as the curfew goes, ne-e?"

AN APOLOGY

The New Canadian regrets that this issue of the paper is late. A combination of events—the departure of Mr. Yoshimitsu Higashi, our business manager, to Geikie, Alta., the curfew regulations; a new publication scheme required by war - time economy; and the fact that the editor and the assistant business manager have both been tied up in matters of community importance—has delayed the usual publication We hope shortly, however, to be sufficiently reorganized to issue regularly as in the past.

COMMISSIONERS

Two of the members of the newly-appointed three-man British Columbia Security Commission are Austin C. Taylor, chairman, (top) and Assistant Commissioner John A. Shirras of the B. C. Provincial Police. Third member is Assistant Commissioner F. J. Mead, of the R.C.M.P., who was a member of the former Standing Committee.

The new commission is expected to receive very wide powers under the order-in-council authorizing it formation. It will take charge of the whole policy of "evacuation, entry and employment" of persons of Japanese origin in the province.

It will consult and work through departments of the federal government, principally labor, justice, transport, and defense.

Named to the advisory committee of the commission are: Hon. R. L. Maitland, K.C., B.C. attorney-general; Hon. Geo. S. Pearson, B. C. labor minister; Harold Winch, M.L.A.; Capt. M. C. Robinson; M. H. Hamilton, Gen. J. A. Clark, T. M. Harnett, A. D. Darlington, Dr. Lyall Hodgins, and G. L. Fraser, Vancouver; General R. O. Alexander, Commodore Stevenson, Commodore W. J. R. Beach and R. H. B. Ker of Victoria; William Mott, New Westminster; J. McKinnon, Mission City, and R. G. Rutherford, Kelowna.

...al Severely With Offenders

...law clamped down on the ...Japanese community Sun...ight and early Sunday ..., and before daylight had ...long to bring a measure ...dom to 22,000 human beings ...p in their homes, police ... and constables had haul...ve local Japanese off to ... being out on the streets ... sunset and sunrise.

...ing guilty in Police Court, ... on charges of breaking ... curfew law, they were ...spended sentences by Ma... Mackenzie Matheson.

... infractions, however, will ...rely dealt with" threaten... magistrate.

...must understand you were ... under a war regulation ... there is no exception," ...istrate warned. "It does ...er whether it is a convenience or an inconvenience to you, you have to obey it, and any person brought here in future will be severely dealt with.

"Any person who commits a breach of this regulation is liable to a long term in prison, and I won't hesitate to give it to them if there are any more brought in."

The R.C.M.P. placed a request that suspended sentence be imposed through Prosecutor Gordon Scott.

"The same facts apply to all these men—they were out while going to and from their work and they weren't familiar enough with the new regulations to understand that there are no exceptions," said Mr. Scott.

Among the men jailed by the forces of law and order were two local milkmen who had got up early to make their usual morning rounds.

Government Proclamation

一、日本人全部防禦地帯内に於ては毎日自分の常に居住する場所に毎日「日沒より翌日日出迄」留る事、更に前記期間中は屋外及街上に出る事を禁ず

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五、警官及アール、シー、エム、ピーの人員は前記治安判事としての執務權利を有し且該防禦地帯内に於ては日本人の居住してゐる家屋乃至は日本人の居住し居ると思はれる家屋内に前第二項記載の物件があるとの嫌疑ある場合は搜索狀無しに捜索を爲し且つ之れを押收する事を得る

六、日本人は、全部直ちに防禦地帯内を立退く事

七、日本人はアール、シー、エム、ピーの許可無しに防禦地帯に入る事を得ず

八、本令中「日本人」とは純日本人のみでなく父及母を日本人と爲す者にして十二月十六日總督令に依りアール、シー、エム、ピー長官よりの書面の要求に依り登錄をせし書類は書面に依る登錄を要求されつゝある者を含む

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Grounds for Questioning

Government policy to deal with the possibility of fifth column activity among the Japanese Canadian communities along the Pacific Coast has moved, it would seem, from one of moderate and necessary controls to one that is vastly more drastic than even the most pessimistic of us would have believed possible in the early days of the war

The first steps taken — immobilization of fishing boats special registration, parole permits, and detention of certain individuals—were accepted, on the whole, as obviously necessary in war-time.

More drastic steps emerging from the Ottawa conference in January—the removal of alien nationals and the banning of short-wave radios and cameras— were likewise accepted. In spite of the fact that almost a quarter of its gainfully employed were affected by the removal order, the whole community was prepared to recognize that government authorities were forced to draw some line between citizens and non-citizens in guarding against the most probable st probable source of danger.

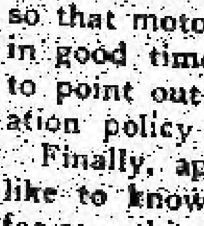
But tremendous public pres ure—arising in the first place from very sorry sources indeed — was brought to bear upon the government. In quick order, a whole series of repressive measures, unlike anything before in the history of the nation, have been authorized. In effect, the new orders uproot completey without regard some 20,000 men women and children; brand every person of Japanese origin as disloyal and traitorous; and reduce to nothing the concept and value of Canadian citizenship.

No reasonable individual can deny that there are grounds enough here for several thousand people, whose only crime is their race, to feel bitter and betrayed. There is ample sorry evidence to suggest that they are being harried and hounded, less for reasons of national safety and defence, than for fear, for hate, and for selfish gain. There have been all too few sincere public declarations by unbiased citizens that these drastic impositions are necessary as war-time emergency measures, rather than simply an easy and attractive means of giving vent to a smouldering racial prejudice.

If the total evacuation of men, women and children is deemed necessary from a military standpoint—and while we cannot share that belief, certainly we can understand that point of view — then the people are ready to go wherever a suitable place can be found for them. Yet they surely have a right to just and reasonable treatment, for citizen or alien, they have not been guilty of any disloyal or criminal act. Austin C. Taylor's plea for a humane understanding of the situation is deeply appreciated.

But pending that evacuation, we have yet to have explained to us how an attempt to keep every single person of Japanese origin bottled up at night will effectively stop sabotage—by any individual, of whatever race, if he is seriously intent upon it. We cannot see how the possession and use of ordinary cameras and radio receivers is likely to prejudice the nation's war effort. We are at a loss to understand why a warning of an impending attack on this coast would not be received well in advance so that motor vehicles in our hands could be immobilized in good time if deemed necessary. And we should like to point out that these restrictions only hinder the evacuation policy and get the people worked up.

Finally, apart altogether from these details, we should like to know if our Canadian citizenship actually stands for something of value. Or have we of The New Canadian who have been preaching and working for loyalty and Canadianism, been nothing but false and foolish prophets?



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BULL Session

CURFEW!!—Gosh, and I was all set to write about spring fever and walking in the moonlight with Arabella and so on....now, the only way we can enjoy the moon is to poke our heads out of the window and look at it and hope that the love of your life is doing the same thing and thinking the same nice thoughts....what a life....

And to keep in the spirit of things here I go following through with Arabella's idea that since the curfew's cut down our night life I should enumerate some ideas by which we could while away our evenings....

To go through with the idea of enjoying the glorious moon (look at it tonight) from your windows, try recalling the second verse of that Japanese popular song that was a real hit five or six winters ago, "Sendo-Kawai-ya". The English of the verse that starts with "seiri hanaryo to...." is that though we're a thousand miles apart we have but the same thought in our minds and we look on the same moon in the same beautiful night sky....sorta mushy when you come to think of it but it gets across what I mean....

Then outside of the listening to radio (if any) programs, or reading, which would get slightly boring if kept up too long, you could get up bridge, or bingo, or you could hold bull sessions and think about the days long-past, when night time was the time for fun—bowling, movies, parties, dancing, sports, even beer—and to weep bitter tears in the process till it is time for all good little boys and girls to be in bed....

At least "night life" will be no use as an excuse for late appearances to work (it will have to be a late sunrise). And maybe all of these Powell Street playboys will lose their bageyes and become healthier looking specimens of humanity....heck, you can't help getting your quota and more of sleep....what else can you do?....

Which brings to mind how today sophisticated men-about-town admit without blinking an eyelash of going to bed at 8 o'clock ....something that probably had never happened since they went to public school....every day brings something new....

But getting back to Arabella which is always nice to get back to....that delicious dish thinks I should write something about the beauty of spring with the birds singing in the trees around the ball grounds, yeah, imagine, spring is still here and the sun is shining in a jolly way even though we sorta got our heads down so low we don't see things like that.... I guess we should try to see things like those....

And to finish off in a note of a laugh, which is what we don't do enough of now, I was talking with a young lady whom I thought was charming until I was bitterly disillusioned....anyway, to go on....we were talking about things and stuff....she suddenly got very personal and said, "Do you know what the secret of your appeal to women is?"....hmmm, says yours truly to himself, so I've got appeal to women....and out loud breathed ecstatically, do go on....then she says, well, girls like boys who are tall, dark and h'n'some....I took a deep breath and implored, ah, tell me more.... to which she said, well, you're dark....

We don't speak to each other any more.

Must It Be Only Never-Never-La

"It's no use being bitter," they said to her. But Mari bitter. She was past that. One didn't go through the eve the past few months without becoming somewhat resigned situation. It used to be "It can't happen to us." Now, it has happened to us!"

Yesterday, her mother had said, "It's no use, Mariko, you has decided to go." Mari had nodded, for what difference i father was naturalize or not. He could stay....for a while but it was now move, or starve.

What hurt most was not the slowly moving trek westward the roaring headlines. "Japs"....once, the word had made wince, but she was now accustomed to the word. She found self using it, frequently. What really hurt was when some said, "Mari, we can take it. After all we expected this. have no country. Mari, when it comes to a crisis, it makes difference whether you are alien born or not. Once a Jap, a Jap."

Mari wanted to scream back that it couldn't be so. There a difference....but they were things one didn't shout to the And today, the facts were written in black and white. She not fight back with her only weapons, weapons which were gible, without form, or shape....weapons which were their could not be seen.

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"Mari, you're swell!"

Colin said it breathlessly, his freckled face flushed, as he up with her, in old man Jone's back apple orchard, where the trees were laden down with blush -pink blossoms.

"Gee, Colin, you're slow. Bet I can beat you round the orch And away went Mari, her slim, scarred brown legs flying, her atumble, her eyes shining.

Is that so, smarty...." and Colin caught up with her. "Now, who's slow? And Colin pushed her onto a pile of grass....struggling and kicking.

"Stop it, Colin! That's not fair, you big...."

Then, perhaps it was the bits of apple blossom caught in Ma hair, perhaps it was the pixie light in Mari's laughing eyes, or wilful, struggling little form beneath him, Colin stopped tea

It came like that poignant realization that the moon which he every night, the tender curve of his mother's cheek he saw night,were beautiful and dear....but then and there, he pres his hard young mouth on Mari's red, soft mouth.

"Mari, you're sweet!"

To Mari, it was music with a note of fear....

"Colin....but you're....you're white....and....and...."

"Aw, shut up! You're Canadian, just like me. And don't forget it, or I'll bop you one...."

And suddenly, he pulled her from the ground, and they cro the meadow of old Man Jone's orchard, while the late spring s lingered in the west.

There were many happy summers for Mari and Colin, sum when they hiked up the mountains to watch the sun rise, or at the waters of the inlet, and see the little sail boats skimm over the waters. A sense of belonging, of wonder, of being a of it all would sweep over Mari. She could remember her outbursts, "I love it all, Colin. It's such a beautiful place couldn't bear to think that I wasn't a Canadian. Mother says when I become older I'm going back to Japan....but I won't won't!"

Colin, his rough, teen-age boisterousness softened into matu his voice more deeper than of yore, would say gravely, "Your Canadian, Mari. You're no different from us. This is a democr Mari."

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Mari went back to her packing. If she could only forget she was a Canadian....then, she could fight back. The land she and Colm had whiled away those happy summers seemed a way off....like Peter Pan's "Never Never Land." The road to land she had had faith in seemed a long way off, the sign p the dear familiar landmarks were blurred and inistinct....and was not because of tears. Mari was too strong for tears.

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Nisei Nurses Asked to Withdraw from V.G.H

[...]ded to the already long list [...] unhappy events arising from [...] war was the dismissal this [...] of three Nisei nurses-in-[train]ing from the Vancouver Gen[eral] Hospital.

[...] Vancouver girls, they are [...] Yamazaki, Nana Yamamoto, Doric Mizuhara, Miss Mizu-[...] expected to graduate from nursing school in May.

[...] "present situation" was [desc]ribed as the reason for ask-[ing] for their "withdrawal" from school.

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LOCAL LUMBER DEALER PASSES

A well-known local pioneer passed away early Monday morning, March 2, after a lengthy illness, Kenji Takahashi, 476 East Cordova, in his fifty-seventh year.

Born in Miyagi-ken in Japan, the late Mr. Takahashi came to Canada in 1900, and at the time of his passing, was the owner of the lumber company which bore his name.

He is survived by his wife, a sister, Mrs. Tora Hayashi, and one son, George.

●死去 高橋商会社長高橋兼治(五七)氏は永らく自宅で病気加療中であつたが去る三月二日午後七時逝去された葬儀の日取は未定である

Nisei Fellowship Meet

The date and place of meeting of the Nisei Christian Fellowship has been necessarily changed to March 8, (Sunday) at 2:30 p.m. at the Celtic Cannery Schoolhouse, (ft. Blenheim St.) The schoolhouse may be reached by taking a number 7 to Blenheim and 41st, then walking south to the end of Blenheim.

So far as possible, the Fellowship will continue its meetings as usual and invites the Nisei public to come and hear an inspiring message. As scheduled, Miss Anne Carroll will address the gathering.

Come and spend a worthwhile Sunday afternoon with the Nisei Christian Fellowship!

Keep up Your Courage, Nisei!

Miike Brothers Heads Scoring Honors

	GP	W	L	Avge.	For	Agnst.	Fouls
Maikawa	9	8	1	.888	295	262	76
Marpole	9	7	2	.775	325	253	68
M & N	9	3	6	.333	318	301	71
Shibaya	9	0	9	.000	238	358	82

With the remaining playoffs of the Japanese Basketball League undetermined because of the existing Curfew Law, director Mi Akiyama has asked this writer to post statistics for the time being, until some suitable arrangements can be made.

Marpole's Miike brothers, Jinx and Sub, dominate the sniper's list with fiery captain Joe Akiyama in third spot. Jinx tops the list with 95 points in 9 games for an average of 10.5 points per game. Sub Miike is second with 86. 19 points separate Sub and third spot Joe Akiyama.

Easy going Tommy Nobuoka is the bogey-man of the league with 19 fouls, and top-scorer Jinx Miike is next with 18.

Shig Ashikawa, the old master of melon-heaving took part in only three games this year, but piled up 48 points to lead the list in points per game. Shig has a game average of 16 points.

	GP	Pts.	Av.	Fls.
J. Miike (Marp)	9	95	10.5	18
S. Miike (Marp)	9	86	9.5	15
J. Akiyama (Maik)	8	67	8.4	16
T. Hashi'to (MN)	8	61	7.6	5
A. Tokawa (MN)	9	57	6.3	8
Wakab'she (Maik)	9	51	5.7	11
T. Machida (MN)	9	51	5.7	11
G. Ide (Shib)	8	49	5.8	13
S. Ashikawa (MN)	3	48	16.0	7
Y. Uno (Maik)	8	48	5.4	10
Kaz Suga (Maik)	9	46	5.1	8
A. Okakura (Shib)	[illegible]	44	4.9	9
N. Nishio (Shib)	9	41	4.6	11
M. Fukami'to (Mar)	9	39	4.3	4
Y. Fujioka (Marp)	9	36	4.0	5
T. Yamada (Shib)	9	35	3.9	11
M. Shimoda (Mar)	9	34	3.8	10
S. Tsuka'to (MN)	9	32	3.5	8
G. Suzuki (Maik)	4	30	7.5	3
H. Kowah'a (Shib)	6	30	5.0	16
K. Hori (Marp)	9	28	3.1	7
T. Nobuoka (MN)	9	28	3.1	19
G. Yamashita	8	21	2.6	7
K. Suga (Maik)	9	19	2.1	7
T. Hirano (Shib)	9	18	2.0	2
H. Inamoto (Maik)	5	17	3.4	1
M. Maruno (Maik)	5	9	1.8	7
Yanagiz'wa (Maik)	6	8	1.3	11
J. Tanaka (MN)	4	8	2.0	2
M. Takada (MN)	5	8	1.6	3
C. Nakag'wa (Mar)	7	8	1.1	3
T. Tokawa (MN)	2	7	3.5	0
K. Mitsui (Shib)	2	0	.0	3

B. C. Open Tourney

LUCY & KAY WIN LADIES' CROWN

The B. C. Open shuttle tournament had only one event uncompleted before the Curfew shattered their plans for the year. Last Friday night the championship for the Men's closed and the ladies' doubles were settled.

In the Men's Closed, the steady-plodding veterans, Hideo Oshimo and Takeo Maikawa, turned back the hard smashing pair of Shigs, Yamashita and Ouye in three sets. Yamashita and Ouye took the first set 17-15, but were overcome in the next two sets.

Lucy Fujimagari and Kay Yamaga turned back the challenges of Mary Saegusa and Teiko Ide to cop the ladies' championship. The champs took the first game easily, but they had to go all out to win the next two deuce games.

The Men's open finals rested with the finalists Michi Ashikawa-Ernie Arikado and Mat and Mas Matsui finishing only one set. Ashikawa-Arikado eliminated Shig Yamashita-Shig Ouye in the semis 15-10, 15-17, 17-15. The Matsui brothers blasted Oshimo-Maikawa out of the semis 15-9, 12-15 and 18-17.

Mikados Oust Union Fish In Junior Cup Race

Mikado's senior tablers successfully defended their championship last Sunday by turning out a 6-0 win over G.Y.K.'s threesome. Mikado's trio of Yo Hayashi, George Yoshinaka and junior substitute 'Porky' Ito took 6 games straight and didn't have to finish the remaining four games.

Yo Hayashi, veteran tabler cashed in on three wins, vanquishing G.Y.K.'s Tats Nakatani; and Ito beat Nakatani.

In the junior semi-finals Mikado ousted Union Fish out of the cup race by scoring a 6-3 win. The three-man Mikado team of Bobby Tanaka, J. Kondo and 'Porky' Ito took two games apiece, but each failed to upset Union's star paddler K. Isoshima who marked up three Union wins.

SENIORS

Yo Hayashi bt. Nakatani (13-21, 21-14, 24-22); Geo. Yoshinaka bt. R. Tsuda (21-19, 21-12); K. Ito bt. Nakatani (18-21, 21-19, 21-15); Hayashi bt. Taguchi (21-13, 24-16); Yoshinaka bt. Nakatani (11-21, 21-18, 21-15).

JUNIORS

B. Tanaka bt. Kawaguchi (16-21, 21-14, 21-15) and K. Tanemura (22-24, 21-17, 21-19); J. Kondo bt. K. Tanemura (21-17, 23-21, 21-14); K. Ito bt. H. Kawaguchi (21-12, 21-15) and K. Tanemura (21-11, 21-16); J. Kondo (21-17, 21-15, 21-10); Kondo bt. Kawaguchi (21-17, 15-21, 21-16).

Isoshima bt. Ito (19-21, 21-17, 21-17) and J. Kondo (21-13, 21-9) and B. Tanaka (23-21, 21-23, 21-12).

KEGLERS WIND UP WITH BANQUET

The Nisei Men's 5-pin Bowling Loop, one of the many Nisei sports hit by the existing Curfew Law, decided at a meeting last Sunday to bring down the curtains and disband for the duration.

Since the season was not completed, the representatives from eight teams put through a unanimous vote to stage a windup banquet at the Fuji next Sunday with the $40 prize money instead of trying to split the pot among the top four teams.

The banquet is open to all bowlers who took part in the league and will be completely free of charge. The place is Fuji Chop Suey and the time — 1:30 p.m. sharp.

THE MUSIC BOX

A streamlined cowboy song, with audience participation thrown in, (i.e. the handclapping at the end of the odd lines) has caught the nation's fancy; and it is sitting among the select in the parade this week. This song, **"Deep In The Heart Of Texas"** by name, if you haven't guessd already, with the aid of many excellent recordings of which Alvino Rey's is a superlative example, has hit third place on the parade in it's third appearance. Second-ranking and uniguely different, **"Blues In The Night"** had a similar record.

The number five tune on the list of the leaders, **"How About You,"** from the Rooney-Garland musical, "Babes on Broadway" and which we prophesied would land in big time, has hit the middle spot on its first try. The local orks are all featuring it and there's not much chance of missing the refrain about "I like New York in June, how about you . . ." Anther first-timer is the sixth place song with the simple title, "Daydreaming." Glen Miller's version is the one to listen to . . .

And farewell to the Miller-sponsored special, Chattanooga Choo Choo," which had finally left the parade after a long and deserved stay among the ten best.

The week's top ten:

1. The White Cliffs of Dover.
2. Blues in the Night.
3. Deep in the Heart of Texas.
4. Rose O'Day.
5. The Shrine of St. Cecilia.
6. How About You.
7. Day Dreaming.
8. Remember Pearl Harbor.
9. Everything I Love.
10. Elmer's Tune.

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Ganges Gleanings

By G.K.N.

The poor turnout of members and the extreme cold of the evening did little to mar the hilarity of our gay Valentine social.

Dancing was replaced by a succession of games in which mental rather than physical ability proved helpful. Prizes were won by Mary Murakami, Ronald Inouye and Jim Okano.

The refreshments which followed were ingeniously prepared without the aid of a knife, teapot, etc. in that room.

An absorbing lecture was presented by Archdeacon Holmes in the Mahon Hall Wednesday evening, February 25.

The lecture, entitled "English Cathedrals", was accompanied by the showing of beautiful slides. The grandeur of the old cathedrals in lovely English settings and the finely sculptured walls and ceilings thrilled all the onlookers present.

The net proceeds of the evening went towards the St. George's Church Fund.

Nisei Youth Killed In Logging Accident

PALDI—[illegible] "Yongo" [illegible]da, 20, popular Cumberland Nisei was fatally injured when crushed between two logs at the Mayo Bros. Timber Company's logging operations on February 25th at 1:30 a.m.

Although rushed by speeder and ambulance to the Kings Daughters Hospital in Duncan, he passed away at 11:30 p.m. of the same day.

A verdict of accidental death was pronounced at the inquest held at the Davis Funeral Parlor on the evening of February 26th.

Funeral services for the youthful victim were held at Cumberland on February 28.

Left to mourn his tragic passing are his mother and four brothers.

Ocean Falls Evacuation May be Complete Soon

Total evacuation of Ocean Falls by Nisei and Issei families and working men is likely to be complete in less than two weeks, according to more recent arrivals in the city from the up-coast pulp and paper town.

Well over sixty, including women and children, arrived in Vancouver over the week-end on C.P. and C.N. coastal steamers. They reported that they were not permitted to leave the boat during the four-hour stop-over at Powell River although Occidental travellers disembarked freely.

Some 300, including families, are still in Ocean Falls.

NEW WESTMINSTER Y.P.S.

NEW WESTMINSTER — Owing to the curfew law, the Young People's Society will not hold its Wednesday night meeting; but will return to the regular meeting every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month, at 2 o'clock (which doesn't mean 2.30).

TOWN TOPICS

Welcome Mr. Stork

Mr. and Mrs. Harry K. [illegible] became proud parents at the birth of a bouncing 7 lb. 20 oz. baby boy at St. Paul's Hospital on Saturday, February 28. Mrs. [illegible] is the former Yoshiko Tanaka.

On Friday night, February 27, Mr. and Mrs. Tasaku Sato welcomed the arrival of a baby boy at Mrs. Takahashi's Nursing Home. Mrs. Sato, nee Kiyoshi Tamura, and her nine and a half pound son are both doing well.

TAHARA—KAITA

Both Vancouver and Pitt Meadows shared interest in the wedding that took place here in the city when Yume Kaita, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Kaita of Pitt Meadows became the bride of Mr. Hiroyoshi Tahara, eldest son of Mrs. Tahara and the late Kaichi Tahara of this city on Sunday, March 1. The ceremony took place at the [illegible] Temple with the Rev. [illegible] officiating.

In the pretty bridal [illegible] were Sumire Kaita, [illegible], Tomiko [illegible], [illegible] shidera, and the [illegible] and Mrs. K. [illegible] and Mrs. S. Yoshikawa of [illegible] Ridge.

After the reception had [illegible] Sun Pekin, Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] sailed for a short honeymoon [illegible] Victoria.

An Engagement

Mr. R. Nakano of [illegible] nounced the engagement of [illegible] daughter, Kiyoko, to Mr. [illegible] Oikawa, eldest son of Mr. [illegible] Oikawa of Mission on S[illegible] February 23. [illegible] M. Nikaido of Ruskin and [illegible] Watanabe of Mission.

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